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In re Application of:

John E. EBY et al.

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For: SURFACE COVERINGS HAVING  
A NATURAL APPEARANCE AND  
METHODS TO MAKE A SURFACE  
COVERING HAVING A NATURAL  
APPEARANCE

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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2001, the period for response to which having been extended three-months to April 10, 2002, by the petition and fee filed herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and continued examination of this application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

- 53. A method of making a surface covering comprising:
- chemically embossing a first layer, and
- mechanically embossing a portion of a second layer,

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